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In Re U.S. Patent Application of:  
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From: PCT/GB98/02430 (filed 8/12/98)  
and British Appln. No. 9716998.1 (filed 8/12/97)

For: C1q AND COLLECTIN RECEPTOR

REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

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Enclosed are the specification, claims and Abstract, along with five sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1-5).

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This Application is a Continuation of International Application No. PCT/GB98/02430, filed August 12, 1998 (claiming priority from British Appln. No. 9716998.1, filed August 12, 1997), now pending (which is hereby incorporated by reference)."

⇒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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We also enclose for completeness:

- ⇒ International application as published, with Search Report; and
- ⇒ International Preliminary Examination Report.

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